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### Winter Wheat Production in the Northwest Region down 8 percent from Last Year

Based on May 1, 2019 conditions, production of winter wheat in Idaho was forecast at 60.0 million bushels, down 2 percent from 2018. Yield was expected to average 87.0 bushels per acre, down 3.00 bushels from last year. Growers planted an estimated 730,000 acres in the fall of 2018, up 10,000 acres from the previous year. Harvested acres were forecast at 690,000 acres, up 10,000 acres from a year ago.

In Oregon, production was forecast at 41.2 million bushels, down 12 percent from 2018. Yield was expected to average 58.0 bushels per acre, down 9.00 bushels from last year. Growers planted an estimated 720,000 acres in the fall of 2018, unchanged from the previous year. Growers expected to harvest 710,000 acres, up 15,000 acres from the previous year.

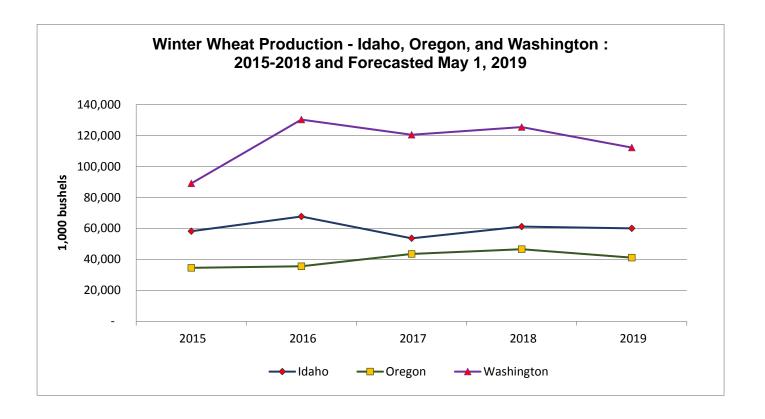
In Washington, production was forecast at 112 million bushels, down 11 percent from 2018. Yield was expected to average 68.0 bushels per acre, down 8.00 bushels from the previous year. Growers planted an estimated 1.70 million acres in the fall of 2018, unchanged from the previous year. Harvested acres were forecast at 1.65 million acres, unchanged from 2018.

Nationally, production was expected to be 1.27 billion bushels, up 7 percent from 2018. Yield was forecast at 50.3 bushels per acre, up 2.40 bushels from last year. Growers planted an estimated 31.5 million acres in the fall of 2018, down 1.03 million acres from the previous year. Harvested acres were forecast at 25.2 million acres, up 2 percent from 2018.

U.S. White Winter wheat production is forecast at 224 million bushels, down 5 percent from last year. Of this total, 22.3 million bushels are Hard White and 201 million bushels are Soft White. U.S. Hard Red Winter, at 780 million bushels, is up 18 percent from 2018. Soft Red Winter, at 265 million bushels, is down 7 percent from 2018.

## Winter Wheat Area Harvested, Yield, and Production — Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and United States: 2018 and Forecasted May 1, 2019

State	Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production		
	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(bushels)	(bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	
Idaho Oregon Washington		690 710 1,650	90.0 67.0 76.0	87.0 58.0 68.0	61,200 46,565 125,400	60,030 41,180 112,200	
United States	24,742	25,214	47.9	50.3	1,183,939	1,268,461	



## Wheat Production by Class — United States: 2018 and Forecasted May 1, 2019

[Wheat class estimates are based on the latest available data including both surveys and administrative data. The previous end-of-year season class percentages are used throughout the forecast season for States that do not have survey or administrative data available. Blank cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Сгор	2018	2019	
	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	
Winter Hard red Soft red Hard white	662,249 285,558 19,347	780,375 264,565 22,260	
Soft white	216,785	201,261	
Hard red Hard white Soft white Durum	587,007 13,510 22,715 77,287		
Total	1,884,458		

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